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REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the remarks and analysis contained in the Office Action. Claims 1-9 and 11 have been cancelled. Claims 10 and 12 are amended. New claims 20-34 are presented. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application.

Applicant respectfully submits that the *Harwood, et al.* reference (U.S. Patent No. 3,329,240), which was applied under 35 U.S.C. §102 against claims 1-9 does not anticipate any of Applicant's claims. Additionally, none of the claims can be considered obvious.

The *Harwood, et al.* reference does not have a roller mount or a biasing member that operates as the roller mount and biasing member recited in Applicant's claims. The spring 42 in the *Harwood, et al.* reference does not cause the cage member 29 or the cage member 14 to pivot such that one of the rollers 18, 19, 20, 21, 23 or 24 is urged against a first side of the guide rail 10 and another one of those rollers is urged against an oppositely facing side of the guide rail 10. At best, the spring 42 of the *Harwood, et al.* reference urges the rollers 23 and 24 against the face roller running portion 13 of the guide rail 10. (See, e.g., Figure 1 and col. 4, lines 3-14)

Neither of the resilient bushings 32 can be considered the same as Applicant's claimed biasing member because neither of the resilient bushings 32 performs the function of Applicant's claimed biasing member. Passively allowing the cage member 14 to "twist in its mountings" (col. 5, line 12) is not the same as urging rollers as recited in Applicant's claims.

Applicant respectfully asks the Examiner to reconsider the restriction requirement in this case. The features of claims 10 and 20 are so similar that there is no burden on the examiner to examine both sets of claims. Additionally, the restriction between species, one of which has a low friction insert and the other has a roller, should be withdrawn because there is no undue

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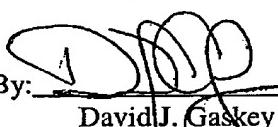
burden on the Examiner to examine both. Moreover, there is an allowable claim generic to both species.

Applicant respectfully submits that this case is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference will facilitate moving this case forward to being issued, Applicant's representative will be happy to discuss any issues regarding this application and can be contacted at the telephone number indicated below.

Applicant believes that additional fees in the amount of \$200.00 are required for four claims in excess of twenty. A credit card payment form is attached authorizing the \$200.00 charge. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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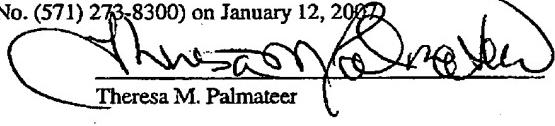
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